

Application No. 10/693,552

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0002] with the following amended paragraph:

[0002] This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Number 10/063,971 (Attorney Docket No. D/A2002), entitled IMPROVED FLEXIBLE IMAGING MEMBER SEAM TREATMENT, now U.S. Patent No. 6,740,182 issued 25 May 2004, U.S. Patent Application Number 10/063,973 (Attorney Docket No. D/A2002Q1), entitled FLEXIBLE IMAGING MEMBER SEAM TREATMENT ARTICLE AND PREPARATION METHOD THEREOF, and U.S. Patent Application Number 10/063,972 (Attorney Docket No. D/A2002Q), entitled FLEXIBLE IMAGING MEMBER SEAM TREATMENT APPARATUS, all filed on 30 May 2002, the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety. In addition, this application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/428,932, filed on 28 October 1999 in the names of Yu et al. and entitled SEAM STRESS RELEASE AND PROTRUSIONS ELIMINATION PROCESS, now U.S. Patent No. 6,652,691 issued 25 November 2003 (Attorney Docket No. D/96182Q3), the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.